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# LOBBY GETS HELP

**Baltimore Politicians Assist** District Ring's Agents.

SOME DELEGATES CAUGHT

Gary's Refusal to Be a Candidate Upsets Plans.

#### EFFORT FOR GOLDSBOROUGH

Representatives of the Rich Washington Land Owners Who Are Try ing to Manigulate the Senate Dis trict Committee in Favor of Their Scheme Were Early at Work-Gary's Action Is Almost Sure to Result in the Naming of an Eastern Share Man, Although Wellington Holds His Own Against Assaults-The "Duke" Had Thirty Votes on the Fourth Ballot, Lacking But Eleven to Win B. H. Warner at Annapolis,

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.) Annapolis, Md., Jan. 17.-The re resenbetives of Washington corporations and ) ands for suburban street and sewer extenjons, have been materially strengthened. During the night many prominent Baltimore politicians arrived in the city, and the active work of lobbying was turned over to them. Consultations of varying import ance were held until daybreak.

This morning it is apparent that the lobby approximately succeeded.

Goldsborough is the favorite in all at-tempted combinations, chiefly because it is believed that his extreme youth would make him more susceptible to influence. He is but 31 years old.

The united efforts of the Washington and Bultimore lobbyists have succeeded in effecting the withdrawal of Dryden in favor of Goldsborough, thus presumably adding four votes to his column. In the event of ultimately failing to pull

Goldsborough through, the favorue of the obbyists is Westcott, the wealthy banker of Kent county, and after him Dixton, the Coston banker.

AFTER AN EASTERN SHORE MAN. With the ennouncement of Gary's refusal to be a candidate, it becomes more evident that the struggle for the electron of an Eastern shore man will be continued, and only as a last resort will a Senator be chosen from any other section of the State. The land-owners' lobby will not down

as the result of a mere incantation. The prospect of failure only stimulates them to renewed exertions, and the adoption of They will fight until the last bailot, and

They will fight until the last tailot, and then, if unsuccessful, will bring every possible influence to bear upon the present House and Senate District Committees to favorably report such a bond bill as will guarantee them the minimum expenditure of their own money in receiving extravagant

more allies.

The visit to this city of B. H. Warner

The visitor himself declared that his sole business was to look after the welfare of the Washington and Chesapeake City Rail-road, in which he is interested. Others affect to believe that as a sort

of contingent issue he was carefully weigh

a burning desire to sit behind a mahogany desk in the Senate chamber and was seek ascertain his own availability IN CASE OF DEFEAT.

Figuring upon the latter hypothesis the supposition is advanced that in the event of being confronted by defeat Wellington. in whose district Mr. Warner resides, might

select him as his residuary legatee and throw his suppport, so far as he can control it, in that direction. When questioned on this point Mr. Well-ington would only say he believed that e possibility for failure is too remote for unideration at this time, but that he new beyond peradventure of error that r. Warner did not antagonize him while

The possibility of Judge Lewis E. Mo-Comas coming into the race as a dark horse is ridiculed here. It is admitted that his ileatenants are alert and active and would gladly spring his name in the event of an ndicated stampede, but no encouragement is given to that end.

It is said that Delegate Campbell yester day went to Washington for the purpose of consulting the judge regarding his interests and wishes in the pending contest The opinion is generally expressed among legislators that Judge McComas bitterly regrets his relirement from active politics and the acceptance of a place on the District

It is even said that he seriously contem It is even said that he seriously chinesis plates resigning his judicial position and again participating in State politics with the hope of succeeding Gorman two years bence.

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#### MARYLAND'S JUDICIARY.

#### Important Appointments Decided Upon

by Gov. Lowndes.
Annapolis, Md., Jan. 17.—It is stated that
iov. Lowndes has decided to appoint Col.
icorge M. Russum of Caroline county as chief judge of the second circuit, in place of the late Judge Robinson. He will also des-ignate Judge James McSherry of Frederick county to be chief judge of the Court of Armedia Appeals.

The governor, it is understood, reached

his decision after consulting the wishes the judges of the Court of Appeals. There was pretty general concurrence all around in avor of the appointment of Mr. Russum, who will be an associate member of the Court of Appeals, and of Judge McSherry as the chief justice. The governor, however, will not make formal announcement in either matter until next week.

Col. Russum is 62 years old. For thirty-five years he has been one of the most active

Republicans on the Eastern Shore of Mary

#### THIRTY VOTES FOR WELLINGTON On the Fourth Ballot He Only Needed

Eleven More to Win.

Amapolis, Md., Jan. 17.—The fourth hallot shows Wellington's confidence to be well founded, he having received thirty votes, a gain of four, and but eleven short enough to secure a caucus and victory of chongs to secure Goldsborough received At the same time Goldsborough received twenty-two votes, a gain of four, caused by the withdrawal of Dryden. This is held to indicate that the lobbyists are also mak-ALBERT.

ostmaster's Daughter Driven by Jeal-ousy to Do Unlawful Acts. Hanover, Pa., Jan. 17.—Miss Jennie Raubenstine, the seventeen-year-old daughter of the postmaster, has been arrested by Postoffice inspector Martin W. Malone, of Philadelphia, for tampering with mail at Raubenstine Postoffice, near this place.

She first protested innocence, but under cross-examination broke down and conference in the post of the protested innocence.

looked upon as love epistles.

Miss Ranbenstine has kept the young people of that neighborhood in turmoul, and excited numerous quarrels. One of her methods was to remove a letter and replace it with a blank sheet with only the initials of the sender on the paper. She is only a fairly intelligent country girl, of fine figure and pretty face. She was held in \$500 bail to await action by the United States court.

#### MONROE DOCTRINE UPHELD

Foreign Affairs Committee Generally Favors a Strong Enactment.

To Be Made of Such Character us to Require Only Mere Citation by Consuls Abroad

ment against the adoption of a resolution af-firming the Monroe doctrine, but his argu-

of the committee said, to dangerous admis

by enacting into law a resolution of such broad and general character that those acreafter charged with the diplomatic cor-respondence of the government need only cite its provisions. The resolution to be reported to the Senate will be sufficient

give out the text until it is reported to the Senate Monday.

#### SHEA ASSAULT CASE.

of their own money in receiving extravagant and unnecessary improvements, of which they will be the only beneficiaries.

Attention having been called to the fact that the presence of Washingtonians working for the election of a Scinator from Maryland avenue one night last summer. Shea had been drinking and was disorderly, licrests, several have left the city, and those remaining have gone into practical secondary. At that instant Shea vector of the city and those remaining have gone into practical secondary.

instant Shea exclaimed, "The The capitalists must now depend upon is alone now; don't let him take me?" and de diplomacy and finesse of their Balti-Malloy struck Williams on the flead, almost

#### GERMANY'S CIVIL CODE

a government grain monopoly was re-sumed. The chamber was filled to its sumost capacity when, at 2:30 ordock. Baron von Buol-Berenberg, president of the Reichstag, requested the attention of the house for Chancellor von Hohenlohe. The emire house at once crowded forward to

to the House the result of a quarter of sentury's arduous work in a civil code for the empire. It was began in days of national rejoicing, and it is boped that it will be completed in these three days of re-membrance and revival of national feeling." The chancellor's remarks were received with cheers.

thanks to the louse for its attention and expressed hope that, alive to the knowledge of the trust and confidence in it, members would immediately dedicate the attention to discussion of this natio many's unity. (Che

ng organ of the Socialists, prints beforehand the emperor's decree which will be promuthe proclamation of the German empire, par doning military offendors who are under-going sentences requiring the payment of less than 150 marks fine or six weeks im-prisonment. Offenders who are fined or imprisoned for illtreatment of their in-feriors in rank or for desertion are not included in the class of these residences. included in the class of those receiving

#### FLOQUET IS DYING.

Another Strike in Chicago.
Chicago, Jan. 17.—Between 600 and 700 members of the Upholsterers' Union quit work yesterday to resist a recent order of the Manufacturers' Association that the men shall work ten hours a day against the previous system of piece work. Half the union men in the city are out of employment and the workingmen demand eight hours' work so that more men may be furnished employment.

"Johnston," 729 Seventh street, will give to each purchaser of groceries amount-ing to one dollar or over from their price list a large dressed chicken absolutely free.

SHE TAMPERED WITH THE MAILS

rossex annipation broke down and con-fessed her guilt, giving jealousy as prompt-ing her unlawful acts, which have con-tinued for six months. Investigation showed that site had not interfered with business letters, but only such as abe

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations met at 10:45 this morning for the purpose of considering the Monroe doctrine resolution now before that committee All members were present but one, and the indications pointed to a session of some

Senator Gray made an elaborate argu-

firming the Monroe doctrine, but his argu-ment fell on deaf cars.

The committee was overwhelmingly in favor of such a resolution. It was proposed by Mr. Davis of Minnesota, chairman of the subcommittee, and was, after prolonged discussion, made still stronger in one or two particulars. The application of the dectrine, by various Secretaries of State, has led to contradictory positions and, as one member of the committee said, to dangerous admis-

This the committee intends to obviate

to cover any and all cases.

The committee adjourned at 12.45 after voting to adopt the resolution submitted by Mr. Bayis. The committee voted not to

Trial of the Man Who Assaulted Po-

Ed Shea sat behind his counsel, well dressed, and with a heat bouch of flowers in his botton hole. He was intelligent and well behaved in appearance. He is tall, and has a rather bandsome face. Beside him sat Malloy, a well-knit figure, with raddy face and an air of shrewdness and self-

Williams turned to strike Malloy, when

#### his club and was finally beaten beloless of Testimony for the government is still in

Submitted to the Reichstag by Chan

cellor Von Hohenlohe.

Berlin, Jan. 17.—At today's sitting of the Reichstag the discussion of Count von Kanitz's proposal for the establishment of

the government benches. When order was restored the chanceflor said: "By command of his majesty Emperor William I have the great honor to submit

President von Buoi-Berenberg expresses

#### CLEMENCY OF THE EMPEROR.

Pardoning Military Offenders Confined for Minor Transgressions. Berlin, Jan. 17.—The Vorwaerls, the lead

Ex-Premier of France Has Congestion of the Lungs.

Paris. Jan. 17. - Ex-Premier Floquet, who has been ill for several days with con-gestion of the lungs, is dying. He is sixty-

Miner's Children and Wife Burned.
Oakland City-Ind., Jan. 17.—The home
of George Spraggias, a miner, living near
Littles, was destroyed by fire yesterday.
Two children, aged two and four, were
cremated, and the mother was seriously
burned in trying to save them.

### Did the Turkish Minister Here **Exclude Red Cross?**

SAYS MAVROYENI DID IT

MR. BOGIGIAN ACCUSES HIM

Statement of Legation That the Sultan Is Able to Care for His Subjects Absurd, in View of Appeal for Aid Last Year, When the Earthquake Took Place in Constantinople.

Boston, Jan. 17.-In an interview today Mr. Hagop Bogigian, the widely-known representative of the Armenian race, said:
"I have reason to believe that the so called refusal of the Turkish government to allow the entrance of the Red Cross into Turkey did not come from the sultasbut originated with the over-zealous rep-resentative of the sultan in this country, The trial of Edward Shea, of the well-known South Washington family, and Arthur Malbey for assault upon Policeman Williams was begun this morning.

Major Melowell Carrington appeared for Turkey, and who are now doing all they

SULTAN IN IGNORANCE. "I believe that the sultan has been kept in ignorance of the real facts in the case, and has been kept in terror all the

The Turkish legation in Washington as serts, as one of the reasons for refusing the Red Cross entrance to his country, that the sultan is fully able to provide for his subjects,
"This cannot be true, for soon after the

carthquake at Constantinople in 1891, when only a few houses and bazzars were de-molished, the same legation at Washington made an urgent appeal through its repre-sentatives in different cities of this coun-try for funds in aid of the sufferers in

PRESENT DISTRESS AWFUL. The distress of the present time is great that it completely overshadows that disaster. Yet the Turkish legation at Washington, with unparalleled coolness, can say to the world, 'We need neither your funds nor your Red Cross work.' Such a funds nor your Red Cross work.' Such a refusal would finally convince humanity that Turkey means that the awful work in hat country shall not be checked, sha not even be investigated, and most nor to witnessed by other eyes than her own. The numan mind staggers to believe such a policy among the possibilities even with the Torkish race."

#### THIEVES MORE ACTIVE.

Increase in Number of Robberies Re ported to the Police.

The list of robberies reported at head-quarters today showed a decided increase over those of the last few days. Eight reports were entered upon the robl

Thomas G. Scott, owner of the beat John Washington, in the James Creek canal, reported the theft from the boat of two J. E. Griswold of No. 812 Sixth street reported stolen from the hall of his house an overcoat and a pair of gloves. Miss Minnie Bender of No. 224 Four-and-

a-half street southwest reported stolen from her house a long, dark-green, lady's

L. McClelland of No. 1405 F street orthwest reported stolen from his office \$50 in cash. Mary Gordon of No. 1359 Ohio avenue re

orted the theft from her room of a gold hain bracelet and a band bracelet. William M. Jenkins of No. 1006 South Capitol street reported that some unknown persons entered his bouse by unlocking the front door with a duplicate key and stole from a trunk on the second floor of the house \$123 in cash and a deed for some property in Virginia.

Frank Maingoid of Thirteenth and Roan-

oke streets reported stolen from his carenter shop a set of tools. Mrs. James A. Gibbs of Corcoran street re

#### IMPEACHMENT OF BOWLER.

House Judiciary Committee Discusse This and Other Cases.

The House Judiciary Committee today discussed the resolution of Mr. Boatner of Louisiana, looking to the impeachment of Comptroller Bowler, for his action in stopping the payment of sugar bounties author While not finally acted upon, it was prac-

tically agreed to report the matter back to the House with a request that the commit-tee be authorized to inquire into powers of the comptroller and to report upon th status of laws under which he act The committee ordered favorably reported the bill of Mr. Curtis, of New York, to reduce the cases in which the penalty of death may be inflicted. Instead, the

easure provides for imprisonment at hard

abor for life.

Schooner Wilson's Crew Saved. Boston, Jan. 17.—Capt. Gayton and crew of the schooner William Wilson, reported ank off Monomoy life-saving station, were brought here this morning by the tug Not-

Barbour Estate Order Mr. Hamilton, receiver for the Barbour estate, was authorized by order of Judge Hagner today to dispose of the business from time to time as he sees fit.

### POPULIST CONVENTION.

Eight Cities Contending for the Honor of Harboring It. St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 17.—The national committee of the People's party is in ses-sion at the Lindell Hotel to select the time and place for holding their national con-vention. About 150 members are prescention. About 150 members are present, among them Chairman C. H. Taubeneck, of Illinois; Secretary J. Turner, Georgia; Senator Marion Butler, North Carolina; Congressman John C. Bell, Colorado; Gen. Weaver, Iowa; Ignatius Donnelly, Minnesota; Hon. M. C. Rankin, Terre

Haute, Ind.; Gen. Paul Vandervoort, Oma-ha: Ealph Beaumont, New York, and Mrs. Amie L. Diggs, Washington, D. C. When Chairman Taubeneck called the convention to order he stated the object of the meeting and that the claims of each city desiring the convention should receive careful consideration. A delegation fifty strong are working in the interest of Dailas, Tex., while Chicago has an able and consequence committee advocating her claims.

Omaha, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Inclainapolis, Milwauke and St. Louis are also in the field as candidates. The selection will probably be made lafe this

### HAWAIIAN CABLE

House Committee Hears Specifications of I's Cost.

It Would Be 6,590 Miles Long, Cost \$7,500,000 and Reduce Bates 50 Per Cent.

Foreign Commerce today heard Edmund L. Baylies of New York, in support of the bill to establish a cable between the United States and the Hawaiian Islands. He spoke of its importance, and said the cable, if allowed, will start from the coast of California or Oregon and proceed to the Hawaiian Islands, a distance of 2,097 miles; thence in a southwesterly direction 1.991

northwesterly 2,502 miles to Yokohama, the total length of the cubic thus being 6.590 miles.

Its estimated cost when ready for operation would be \$7.500.000. Continuing, he said it was proposed to ask from the United States Government to aid in building the cable a sum which would equal approximately \$175,000 per year for

twenty years, and during this period the Japanese government is to be asked to contribute \$200,000 a year.

Mr. Baylies said if the proposed cable was laid the rate for the transmission of mes-sages would in a short time be reduced from 30 to 50 per cent.

L. L. Spaulding of the Hawaiian Islands, representing another cable company, will press the claims of his company later.

#### THEY ARE ALMOST READY.

Experts Have Their Report on Ly decker Tunnel Nearly Completed. Up to a late hour this afternoon Gen. Craighill, of the Army, bad not received the report of the committee of engineering experts who have been examining Lyde-eker

tunnel, in order to formulate some plan for an increase of the water supply of Washhours a day since Monday to complete the report, and it will probably be handed in to Gen. Craighill before the day is over. t will be of great interest to the residents of the District and will be almost immediate y transmitted to Congress, as Gen. Craig-

hill has resolved, it is unferstood, that the committee's report shall be his report.

The board was not only called upon to determine the advisability of completing the Lydecker tunnel, but was also instructed to propose the best and most economical plan f increasing the water supply for the city. It would be difficult to anticipate their report because of the strict reserve in a discussion of the subject by all members of the board, but it is believed by many that it will report a completion of the tunnel to be practicable and economical.

# PRESIDENT OF THE B. & O.

Robinson of the Santa Fe Said to Have Been Chosen.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 7.—The rumor in railroad circles that the Baltimore & Ohio directors had about decided on Vice President Robinson, of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, as the successor of President Charles F. Mayer, comot be verified here. The Baltimore members of the committee appointed to recommend a suitable man for the position of president will not talk on the subject.

The fact that Vice President Lord and two three directors of the Baltimore & Obio are still consulting with railroad men in reference to additional connections and alliances, may have given rise to the

AMERICANS IN PERIL.

Held in Transveal Prisons Upon the

London. Jan. 17.—Mr. Wiltze, the friend of John Hays Hammond, the American mining engineer, recently arrested in Johannesburg, with a number of others, upon charges of treason, who grrived here from the Transvaal a few days agg. Isdaily in receipt of cablegrams from Americans and others in Johannesburg. in Johannesburg, who were not among the arrestees, charging him to use all possible influence to secure the direct action of the United States government in behalf of the arrested men, whose position, the cable grams say, is very serious.

# BOND BILL SURELY FATED

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# Will Kill the Measure.

CONDITIONS ARE CHANGED

laim That Many Who Were Formerly Its Friends Are Ready to Put Themselves on Record Against It. Several Prominent Members Anticipate Tonight's Meeting.

It seems to be a foregone conclusion that the bond bill to provide seven and a half million dollars for street extension and ewers under the highway act for the Dis rict will meet a cold reception tonight when it comes before the adjourned meeting of the Board of Trade at Builders' Exenange Hall.

In other words, when the measure is aunched before the beard tonight there will be, it is predicted, four men out of every five ready to vote against its passige by Congress. It is certain to receive death blow from which its friends will never be able to revive it-

"I will tell you what I think the Board of Trade will do tonight," said today a prominent member of the body to a Times reporter. "The members will indorse the plans for the street extensions. They will probably vote in favor of the issuance of londs to the value of \$7,500,000. Then they will take steps to examine into the feets of the present law.

The House Committee on Interstate and JUST WHAT THEY WANT. the act under which condemnations were made in the first section to be unconstitutional. The law is unconstitutional in taxing the owner of the property one-half the value of the assessment, if in nothing else. The property-owners are just now losing the scales from off their eyes, and unless there is an amendment made to the

> "It is safe to say that since the matter of sustaining the law. The property owners pever knew what had been done until they filed their proceedings in court. There is no ring of the property owners, in my

> men. They are public spirited with other people's property. I have no doubt per-sonally that the best of metives rested with the members of the Board of Trade who originally prevailed on Congress to take up the matter of street extensions. "Capt. Rosselle's heart and soul were in

> it. I think, when he footered the bill. it, I tunis, when he fortered the bill.
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> They were misguided then, however, and why some people have continued to indorse the resolutions submitted the other night, when their vision is becoming clearer.
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> I do not know Messael Constitution do not know. Havseed Congressmen the cared nothing for the District, voted

for the bill, when they found this District was going to pay one-half of it." "Since last Friday night there has been a growing sentiment among members of the board of trade." said another prominent. member, "that, if properly crystalfized, will result this evening in an overwhelming defeat of the resolutions offered at the last

#### SEE THE ABSURDITY.

"Everybody is beginning now to realize neabsurdity of making the street extensions contemplated under an expenditure of less than \$20,000,000, as Mr. Brown an-nounced. A prominent Congressman told me yesterday that it would be absurd for the District to come to Congress asking for a greater sum than that. The members had to be educated up to the point of voting for that, and they would not go beyond The property owners in the first subdivision are awake and up in arms, and the stab the bill will receive tonight will be deeper and uglier than the one it get a week ago. In fact, I believe this will be

he fatal lick." Mr. George E. Emmons said: "I believe there is a change of opinion among the mem-pers of the Board of Trade in the last week, and that the bond bill will not come as near passage tonight as it did last Friday night.

GENERALLY FAVOR IT. "Of course, everybody in the District ension and filled with a desire to make this he prettiest and largest city of the land. But there is a difference of opinion as to the manner of doing this, and I think people are just now awakening to the light.
"I think the board will, after lonight's ssion, decide on some conservative ad tion. That might be in the way of the appointment of a committee to investi-gate the whole street extension matter. In fact, I would not be at all surprised to see a resolution passed tonight author izing such a committee."

izing such a committee."

Mr. W. F. Mattingly said he had formed no opinion on the result of tonight's meeting, and did not care to anticipate its ending. He said, though, that he thought that the opposition to the resolution introduced at the last meeting had grown to such proportions that the bill would not be passed. Ringleaders Will Get Five Years. London, Jan. 17.—It is expected that the ringleaders among the persons arrested at Johannesburg and taken to Pretoria for having taken part in the movement against the Transvaal government will be sentenced to imprisonment for a serm of five years, and that the others will be condemoed to pay heavy fines. Buildings Carried Away, Mountain Broken and Que San Killed. Port Townsend, Wash., Jan. 17.—A vast avalanche of snow swept down from the mountain tops in Silver Bow Basin, near Juneau, Alaska, last week, killing John T.

Pearl and destroying a quartz mill and other property worth \$40,000.

Advices received here on the steamer city of Topeka state that the avalanche came with such force as to sweep the ground clean of all buildings in its path. A mining shaft was choked with snow and debris. The slide started from the bead of Cold Creek, and tore a path 200 yards wide for five miles. It struck the protrading point of a mountain, carrying away millions of tons of rock and carth. The roar was indescribable. It struck the mining camp buildings, and carried away the quartz mill and the buildings together with the machinery. Many miners' cabins were swept away; but fortunately the occupants were absent, spending the holidays in Junean, otherwise many deaths would have resulted. debris. The slide started from the head of

### MESSAGE ON LAND GRANTS

President Asks Congress to Amend Act of 1891.

To Apply to Suits Brought to Recover Title to Lands Patented for Rathroad Grants.

The President sent to the House today a message regarding land-grant railroads, in which he says that he desires to invite atntion to the necessity for prompt legislaa. In order to remove the limitations of ne within which saits may be brought by the government to annul unlawful or unau-

thorized grants of public hards.

He reviews the laws on the subject, and says. 'Hy section 8 of the act of March.

3, 1891, it is expressly enacted that suits by the United States to vacate and annul any patent theretofore issued, shall only Majority of the Board of Trade be brought within five years from the passage of this act. This period of five years will expire on Morth 3, 1896.

"Of course, no suit by the United States to secure the cancellation of a patent in this class of cases, after that date would be effective. Indeed, it is now too late to initiate proceedings looking to any such suit, masmuch as demand has to be first made on the company, and thereafter ninety days allowed for compliance or refusal in accordance with the provisions of the act of March "Before the expiration of this period the statute would bar the right of recovery

would be lest, so far as they might determine character and disposition of grants similar to those directly involved in pending cases. "The government should not be prevented from going into courts to right wrongs perpetrated by its agents or any other par-ties, and by which smeth of the public do-main may be diverted from the people at large to corporate uses. "In these circumstances it seems to him that the act of 1891 should be so amended

by the government, and the benefits of an-ticipated favorable decisions of the courts

the adjustment of these grants may proceed without interposition of a bar, through lapse of time, against the right of recovery by the government in proper cases."

FRANK THOMAS' SUCCESSOR. Blair W. Taylor Made Chief Clerk of the l'estoffice Department. "That is what the opponents of the bill | The Postmaster General has appointed nost want the board to do. They will find | Blair W. Taylor, superincedent of the division of post-office supplies, as chief clerk of the Postoffice Department, vice Chief Clerk Frank H. Thomas, who resigned some

The appointment of Mr. Taylor is said to be strictly in the line of official promotion. be strictly in the line of official promotion.

Mr. Taylor is thirty-six years old, and has been for some time a leader in Demo-ratic politics in West Virginia. He is a native of Eikins, kandolph county, and as been honored with more than one State office. He was for two years in the Railway Mail Service, and later was superintened to fischools of Randolph county.

He was chief clerk of the West Virginia State Department when he was called by Mr. Rasell to become chief clerk of the dead letter office. From this position he was proceed to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Hicks, at the request of the Committee on Public Lands.

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Mr. Hicks, at the request of the Committee on Public Paidings and Groun'ts asked mantinous consent for the present consideration of a resolution, without the presentation of the House restaurant. Objection was made by Mr. Sayers.

The House went into committee of the whole Mr. Dingley in the chair, on mousen letter office. From this position he was proceed the committee on Public Raidings and Groun'ts, asked mantinous consent for the present consideration of the usual report, appropriation of the House restaurant. Objection was made by Mr. Sayers.

of postorfice supplies.

Mr. Taylor had not heard of his good

#### sentative and was soon the recipient of many congratulations.

Michiganders Hold a Convention Made Up of Both Parties. Lausing, Mich., Jan. 17.-A convention of the advocates of free coingge of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, made up of delegates of both Democratic and Republican parties, was held here yesterday, and the field canvassed for the formation of a party and the putting of a gubernatorial ticket in the

It was decided to issue an address to the people, setting forth the financial condi-tion from a free silver standpoint, and await the action of the two old parties upon the issue in the national conventions. If such silver legislation as they depanded was not put in the platforms, then a convention should be called for the for-

## PLEA FOR CUBA'S FREEDOM.

Ecuador's Chief Magistrate Has Ad-Panama, Colombia, Jan. 17.-The Star and Herald confirms a statement made upon semi-official authority several days ago that Gen. Alfaro, supreme chief of the republic of Ecuador, had written a letter to the Spanish government begging Spain to rec-

guize the independence of Cuba. In Search of Wife and Daughter. John R. Scott, the old Virginia farmer who was arrested last night by Sergt. A Shilling of the First precinct and locked up on a charge of carrying concealed weapons, as told in teday's Morning Times, was arraigned in the police court before Judge Miller this afternoon, and the case continued til tomorow. Scott told the court that he came here in search of his wife and little eight-year-old daughter, who had run off with a man from his neighborhood named George Finnegan. He was in the neighbor-hood of the hay market yesterday evening, and some of the hystanders saw his revolver and reported it to Sergt. Shilling.

Short Crop Causes a Failure Monroe, La., Jan. 17.—Elder & Davis, one of the largest dry goods houses in the city, closed their doors yesterday. Their ssets are placed at \$96,000, including their stock of dry goods; liabilities, \$58,000. Their embarrassment is due to the unusually short crop and failure of country customers

Flying Squadron for the Bermudas. London, Jan. 17.—The Central News cir-culates a report, which it siys is unofficial, that the British flying squadron just put into commission is destined for the Bermudas. This report cannot now be confirmed.

Pension Attorneys Shut Out.

The Secretary of the Interior today issued an order disbarring two attorneys from practice before the Department for vio-

lation of the pension laws. They are David B. Davis of Thornton, Ind., and Oscar Pill-

ONE CENT.

#### BURIED UNDER AN AVALANCHE. CHEERS FOR CUBA

Unprecedented Scene on the House Floor.

### CHAPLAIN WAS PRAISED

### Invocation in Insurgents' Behalf Caused Great Handclapping.

### MEMBERS WERE ENTHUSIASTIC

His Fervent Appeal to Heaven That, if Right, the Efforts of the Cubans for Liberty Should Be Crowned With Success Struck a Mighty Chord of Sympathy-The Members Lendly Applanded the Close of the Prayer and Crowded Around the Hind Minister-Message From the President Concerning Forfeiture of Railroad Grants.

The blind chaplain of the House prayed or Cuba this morning. He had barely said "Amen" when the

House broke into applause. This appeal was vidently a popular one. Applause following the delivery of a prayer is an unusual, probably an unprece-

dented, incident in House proceedings.
Chaplain Couden offered the following invocation: "Our Heavenly Father, we think Thee for the degree of special aberty which we as a people enjoy, and our hearts go out for these in other lands who are struggling for a wider liberty. Especially do we pray for the Cabans, and ask that, if they be right, their efforts may be crowned with success. And we pray that our country may do for them all that it can without ompromising its dignity or in disregard of its sacred obligations and duties to

ward Dr. Couden was surrounded by mem-bers, who warmly congratulated aim on the innovation. Most of them selded that if they were not barried by scriptural declar-ation they would add their prayers to his.

Mr. Howe offered for present considera

ton a concurrent resolution directing the

oint committee on the library to investi-

gate the cause of delay in finishing the painting in the Capitol rotinela, and the removal of the scaffolding resting against its face, disfiguring its appearance, having remained there maised seven years. Mr. Bartlett objected, whereupon Mr. Howe remarked that it seemed to him they

Howe remarked that it seemed to min they might come together upon such a simple proposition, but Mr. Bartlett continued his walk up the aisle and away from Mr. Howe, and the resolution was reterred.

A Joint resolution proposed by Mr. Moedy, providing for the distribution or undistributed sets of the naval records of the rebellion by members of the Fifty-fourth Congress, instead of disposing of them at public sale, as at present required by law, was agreed to.

A bill was passed granting power to as not to apply to sums brought to recover title to lands certified or patented on account of railroad or other grants. "And I respectfully urge upon Congress speedy action to the end suggested, so that

was agreed to.

A bill was passed granting power to
the city of Chamberlain, S. D., to lease
the island lying adjacent thereto, allotted
to it by the act of 1889, dividing the
Sioux reservation in that State.

A message from the President was laid
before the House asking prompt legislation
to further extend the time in which lingation in relation to the forfeiture of railroad crants may be prosecuted by the Airoad grants may be prosecuted by the At-torney General. It was read and referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Mr. Hicks, at the request of the Commit-

letter office. From this position he was pro-moted to superintendent of the division five minute rule. Mr. Steele offered an amendment pro-Mr. Taylor had not heard of his good ortune until apprised by The Times representative and was soon the recipient of many congratulations. ADVOCATES OF FREE COINAGE. the courts in the Digitiet of Columbia, and that all papers bearing upon a claim shall be open to the inspection of the claiment

and his attorney.

To this, Mr. Eartlett made the point of order that it changed existing law, and was therefore obnoxious to the rules. After some debate the point of order was sur-tained.

## BLINDED AND MUTILATED

Shocking Fate of a Locomotive Fire-man on a Northern Road. Ringhamton, N. Y., Jan. 17.—As a wild-at freight from Elmira was entering the J. L. & W. R. R. yards at Halstead, Fa., at 2 o-cleck this morning, there was a ter-rific explosion, resulting in the probably fatal injury of Fireman Evans of Elmiro. Evans was blown over the tender and two or three cars, and landed some distance away on the bank. Both his eyes were blown out, his nose was blown off and he received other injuries that make his recov ery doubtrul. Engineer Williams escaped

of the boiler hart dropped down, from as absence of water in the boiler. CONFERENCE OF GENERALS

Campos Summons Pando and Marin to Havana.

nation showed that the crown sheet

Madrid, Jan. 17.—A dispatch from Ha-vana to the Imparcial says that Gen. Marti-nez Campos has summoned Generals Pando and Marin to Havana. This action is taken to indicate either that some striking developments are close at hand or that Gen. Martinez Campos in-

tends to resign. Gen. Luque has totally broken Autonic Macco's rear guard at Angostura. Land for an Electric Line. Rockville, Md., Jan. 17, - The jury which

has been in session here since Monday for the purpose of condemning a strip of twelve feet wide on the castern side of the Wash-

ington and Brockville Turnpike, from the District line to Woodside, for the use of the Washington. Woodside & Forest Gien Electric Rallway, agreed upon a verdict of \$2,300 damages for the tampike company-

# Samuel Jones, the young negro who was arrested last night for Precinct Detective Hartigan by Detectives Locey and Helan. was arraigned in the police court before Judge Miller this afternoon, on a charge of Judge Miller this afternoon, on a charge of the case continued until the 21st. He was com-mitted to jail to await the hearing.

Lobbyists Coming Here. San Francisco. Jan. 17.—The California River and Harbor Congress has appointed a committee to go to Washington and ask Congress for liberal appropriations for the improvement of the rivers and harbors o Northern and Central California.